



# zCost AutoSoftCapping

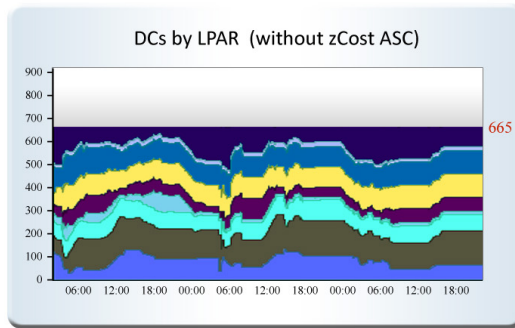
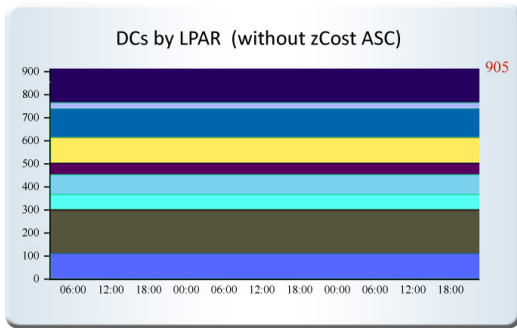
Take control of your Software Costs

AutoSoftCapping (ASC) is a zCost product which allows customers to control their Software costs under a fix level, while optimizing the performance of their system. It runs on vWLC mode with IBM SoftCapping feature activated. The aim of ASC is to make IBM SoftCapping more flexible and that way more efficient to control costs.

## How does AutoSoftCapping work?

1/ AutoSoftCapping uses dynamic DCs :

The LPARs DCs (Defined Capacity Limits) are dynamically modified by taking into account the behavior and the needs of all LPARs, while the sum of the LPAR's DCs remains constant.

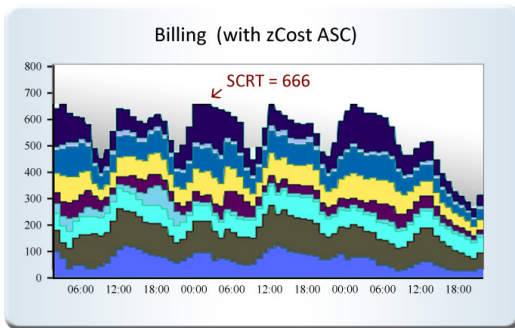
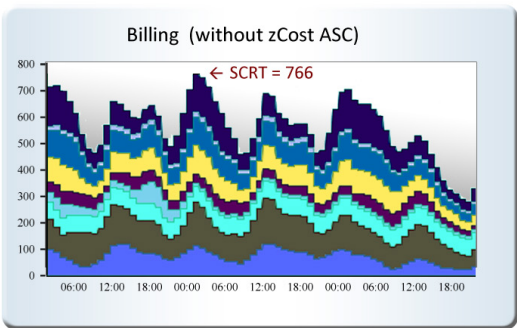


2/ AutoSoftCapping impacts on the SCRT :

The dynamic setting of the DCs allows AutoSoftCapping to impact on the peaks of consumption, and through that to impact on the SCRT (value retained for the invoice).

$$SCRT = \text{Max}_{(\text{in 1 month})} ( \text{SUM}_{(\text{for all LPARs})} ( \text{Min}_{(\text{in 1 hour})} ( \text{Average R4Hs} , DC ) ) )$$

In the following example, ASC allowed to reduce the SCRT by 100 MSUs, down to 666 MSUs.



## AutoSoftCapping - Key Points:

- ASC allows to SAVE MONEY by controlling the z/OS license charge.
- Very interesting ROI. All our current customers:
  - save between 6 and 12% on their monthly bill.
  - got a ROI between 3 and 12 months!
- ASC is a simple tool:
  - Easy to set up on the machine (can be installed and set up within 2 days).
  - Compatibility with all existing z/servers.
  - Provides a sophisticated Web Reporting, which allows more control on the system.

